

etc. 3. the malleus, one of the bones of the middle ear: see EAR, illus. 4. an auctioneer's gavel 5. a metal ball weighing usually sixteen pounds, hung from a wire handle and thrown for distance in a track and field competition—*vt.* 1. to strike repeatedly with or as with a hammer 2. to make or fasten with a hammer 3. to drive, force, or shape with or as with hammer blows /to *hammer* an idea into someone's head/—*vi.* to strike repeated blows with or as with a hammer—**hammer and tongs** [with reference to a blacksmith's work] with all one's might; very vigorously or energetically (away) at 1. to work continuously or energetically

TYPES OF HAMMER



BLACKSMITH'S HAMMER



BALL BEEN HAMMER



CLAY HAMMER

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Carl) (dag) 1905-61; Swed. statesman; secretary-general
of the United Nations (1953-61)
Ham·lin (ham'lin), Hannibal 1809-91; vice president of
the U.S. (1861-65)
Ham·lin (ham'lin), a very small village
enclosed area, akin to OE. hamn: for IE. base see
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